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Health Care Interpreter Renewal Application



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Please type or clearly print. Complete and send all the following information by mail with \$25 application processing fee included to: Please DO NOT send any check, all the registration fees have been waived for now.

Health Care Interpreter Program OHA Office of Equity and Inclusion 421 SW Oak St, Suite 750 Portland, OR 97204

Email hci.program@dhsoha.state.or.us or fax 971-673-1128.

Make check or money order payable to OHA/OEI Health Care Interpreter Program.

Health care interpreters (HCI) include the following credential types:

- Qualified most HCIs are in this category
- Certified requires passing national oral and written exams; only applies to RID and the following languages: Arabic, Cantonese, Korean, Mandarin, Russian, Spanish, Vietnamese (certification exam is **not required** for renewing qualified letters)

Please submit a completed application and all necessary documents to renew your qualified or certified HCI letter.

Complete this form if you meet all of the following requirements. You:

- Are at least 18 years of age
- Must have at least a high school diploma or GED
- Are not on the Medicaid exclusion list
- Are a previously qualified or certified HCI
- Have completed 24 hours of continuing education (CE) units (must be through an OHArecognized CE program or equivalent)
- Must be willing to complete a background check

You must also submit these when you seek renewal of HCI qualification or certification:

- A clear copy of your driver license, state-issued ID card or passport for your backgroundcheck
- Copies of your CE certificate(s) or letters (Certificates and letters must not be more than three years old.)

Completing the process

- You will receive an email from CRIMS to complete a background check application.
- Your HCI renewal application will be processed after your background check is complete.
- OHA will notify you in writing about the status of your application after confirming you meet all requirements.
- OHA will update your information on the HCI registry when the application process is complete, and a renewal letter is issued.

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Section 1: Applicant information

1.1 Renewal application type				
Renewal Qualified HCI letter				
Check all that apply and at	ttach documentation	n:		
 Completed 24 hours of Continuing Education (CE) from an OHA recognized CE program or equivalent. The breakdown of CE requirements are: 6 hours of health care interpreter ethics. 6 hours of interpretation skills. 12 hours on any topics accepted by interpreter certification organizations. 				
Acquired your CE during	Acquired your CE during the four years after your HCI qualification			
I am not counting part of	my 60 hours HCI train	ning as CE		
Are you a qualified interpreter in any of the certifiable languages by Certification Commission for Health Care Interpreters (CCHI) or the National Board of Certification for Medical Interpreters (NBCMI)				
If yes, please list languag	ge(s):			
Did you pass the oral certific		_		
If yes, please attach a copy of your certificate in addition to the other application requirements.				
Renew Certified HCI letter				
Check all that apply and att	tach documentation) <i>:</i>		
 Completed 24 hours of Continuing Education (CE) from an OHA recognized CE program or equivalent. The breakdown of CE requirements are: 6 hours of health care interpreter ethics. 6 hours of interpretation skills. 				
 12 hours on any topics accepted by interpreter certification organizations. Acquired your CE during the four years after your HCI certification 				
☐ I am not counting part of my 60 hours HCI training as CE				
1.2 Applicant contact information	·	<u> </u>		
First name:	Last name:		Date of birth:	
Mailing address:				
City:	State:		ZIP:	
Preferred contact number:		Email:		
Make the following information available on the HCl Registry: Check all that apply, or "none" to indicate release of name only, with no release of contact information.				
Address Pho	ne 🗌	Email	□ None	

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Section 2: Demographic and availability information

2.1 Alternate formats				
1. Do you need written materials in an alternate format (Braille, large print, audio recordings, etc.)?				
Yes No Don't know/Unknown Decline/Don't want to answer				
If yes, which format?				
2.2 Race and ethnicity				
The following questions are optional and for data collection only. Information provided will have				
no effect on certification.				
1. How do you identify your race, ethnicity, tribal affiliation, country of origin, or ancestry?				
2. Which of the following describes your racial or ethnic identity? Please check all that apply:				
American Indian or Alaska Native				
☐ Alaska Native ☐ American Indian				
☐ Canadian Inuit, Metis or First Nation ☐ Indigenous Mexican, Central American or South American				
Hispanic or Latino/a				
Hispanic or Latino Central American Hispanic or Latino Mexican				
☐ Hispanic or Latino South American ☐ Other Hispanic or Latino (specify):				
Asian				
Asian Indian Chinese Filipino/a Hmong				
☐ Japanese ☐ Korean ☐ Laotian ☐ South Asian				
☐ Vietnamese ☐ Other Asian (specify):				
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander				
☐ Guamanian or Chamorro ☐ Micronesian ☐ Native Hawaiian ☐ Samoan				
Tongan Other Pacific Islander (specify):				
Black or African American				
African (Black) African American Caribbean (Black)				
Other Black (specify):				
Middle Eastern or North African				
☐ Middle Eastern ☐ North African				
White				
☐ Eastern European ☐ Slavic ☐ Western European				
Other White (specify):				
Other categories				
☐ Don't know/Unknown ☐ Decline/Don't want to answer				
Other (please list):				
If you selected more than one racial or ethnic identity above, please CIRCLE the ONE that best represents your racial or ethnic identity. If you have more than one primary racial or ethnic identity, please check here:				

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2.3 Gender, sexual orient	tation and disability			
Gender				
☐ Male ☐ Female	☐ Transgender ☐ (Others (<i>specify</i>):		
☐ Decline to answer				
Sexual orientation				
Gay or lesbian	Straight, not gay or lesbia	ın 🗌 Bisexual 🗌 C	Queer	
☐ Something else (specify	y):			
☐ Decline to answer				
2.4 Language(s)				
In what language do you	want us to:			
Speak with you:	Write	to you:		
Do you need a sign langu	uage interpreter for us to	o communicate with you	ı?	
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't	t know/Unknown 🔲 Doi	n't want to answer/Decline)	
If yes, which type do you n	eed us to communicate w	vith you? (ASL, PSE, tactil	e interpreting, etc.)	
Do you need an interpret	er for us to communica	te with you?		
Yes No Don't	know/Unknown 🗌 Doi	n't want to answer/Decline)	
How well do you speak E	inglish?			
☐ Very well ☐ Well ☐	Not well Not at all	☐ Don't know/Unknown	1	
☐ Don't want to answer/D	ecline			
Languages that you are requesting certification or qualification for:				
Languages that you are r	equesting certification	or qualification for:		
Languages that you are r African languages (specify):	equesting certification	or qualification for: Arabic	Chinese	
	requesting certification		Chinese Hindi	
African languages (specify):		Arabic		
African languages (specify): English	French	Arabic	Hindi	
☐ African languages (specify): ☐ English ☐ Hmong	French Indic (specify):	Arabic German Lao	Hindi Italian	
African languages (specify): English Hmong Japanese	French Indic (specify): Korean	Arabic German Lao	Hindi Italian Marshallese	
African languages (specify): English Hmong Japanese Mien	French Indic (specify): Korean	Arabic German Lao Persian	Hindi Italian Marshallese	
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African languages (specify): English Hmong Japanese Mien Scandinavian (specify): Spanish	French Indic (specify): Korean Mon-Khmer, Cambodian Somali	Arabic German Lao Persian Slavic (specify): Tagalog	Hindi Italian Marshallese Russian Thai	
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African languages (specify): English Hmong Japanese Mien Scandinavian (specify): Spanish Urdu Other (specify): 2.5 Language(s) that you African languages (specify): English	French Indic (specify): Korean Mon-Khmer, Cambodian Somali Vietnamese read and speak well but of	Arabic German Lao Persian Slavic (specify): Tagalog Sign language (specify): do not request certification Arabic	Hindi Hindi Italian Marshallese Russian Thai or qualification for: Hindi	
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2.6 Disability				
Your answers to the questions below help us find health and service differences among people with disabilities or limitations. Your answers are confidential.				
Are you deaf or do you have serious difficulty hearing? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't know ☐ Decline to answer				
If yes, at what age did the	he condition begin?			
Are you blind or do you h	ave serious difficulty se	eing, even when wearing	glasses?	
	Don't know 🗌 Decline t	o answer		
If yes, at what age did the	he condition begin?			
Does a physical, mental o		nit your activities in any	way?	
	Don't know Decline t	o answer		
If yes, at what age did the	he condition begin?			
Do you have serious diffic	culty walking or climbing	g stairs?		
Yes No C	Don't know 🔲 Decline t	o answer		
If yes, at what age did the	he condition begin?			
Do you have difficulty dre	ssing or bathing?			
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ □	Don't know 🔲 Decline t	o answer		
If yes, at what age did the	he condition begin?			
Because of a physical, me			s difficulty	
concentrating, rememberi	_	_		
	Don't know Decline t	o answer		
If yes, at what age did the condition begin?				
Because of a physical, mental, or emotional condition, do you have difficulty doing errands alone, such as visiting a doctor's office or shopping?				
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't know ☐ Decline to answer				
If yes, at what age did the	he condition begin?			
What is your age today?				
2.7 Geographic availability: Where are you willing to work? (Choose as many locations as desired.)				
Region 1	Region 2	Region 3	Region 4	
☐ Clatsop	☐ Clackamas	☐ Yamhill	☐ Coos	
Columbia	Multnomah	Polk	Douglas	
☐ Tillamook	Washington	Marion Renten	Lane	
		Benton Lincoln	Linn	
Region 5	Region 6	Region 7	Region 8	
Curry	Hood River	Crook	☐ Baker	
Jackson	Gilliam	Deschutes	Harney	
Josephine	Sherman	Grant	Malheur	
	☐ Klamath	Jefferson	Morrow	
		Lake	Umatilla	
		Wasco Wheeler	│	
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2.8 Work schedule availability:				
Days available: (Check all that apply.)				
☐ Sunday ☐ Monday ☐ Tuesday ☐ Wednesday ☐ Thursday ☐ Friday ☐ Saturday				
Hours of availability: (Check all that apply.)				
☐ Day (7 a.m.–5 p.m.) ☐ Evening (5 p.m.–midnight) ☐ Night (midnight–7 a.m.)				
Are you available to the public? (to provide services):				
Section 3: Continuing education documentation				
Please attach proof of attendance for all continuing education units (CE) (certificates, letters of participation or transcripts). Approved CEs from the following organizations will be accepted by OHA for the renewal of HCI letters: Certification Commission for Health Care Interpreters (CCHI), the National Board of Certification for Medical Interpreters (NBCMI), American Translators Association (ATA), Oregon Judicial Department (OJD), Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID), and Washington State(DSHS), or provided and approved by OHA/OEI.				
Training title: Training date:				
Objectives of training/class:				
Number of hours: Name of trainer:				
This CE fulfills which of the following requirements (<i>check one</i>):				
 ☐ Health care interpreter ethics ☐ Interpretation skills ☐ Topics accepted by the interpreter certification organizations 				
Please indicate which organization approved your C E:				
☐ CCHI ☐ NBCMI ☐ ATA ☐ OJD ☐ RID ☐ DSHS ☐ OHA/OEI				
Training title: Training date:				
Objectives of training/class:				
Number of hours: Name of trainer:				
This CE fulfills which of the following requirements (check one):				
Health care interpreter ethics Interpretation skills				
Topics accepted by the interpreter certification organizations				
Please indicate which organization approved your C E: CCHI NBCMI ATA OJD RID DSHS OHA/OEI				
Training title: Training date:				
Objectives of training/class:				
Number of hours: Name of trainer:				

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This CE fulfills which of the following requirements (c.	heck one):			
☐ Health care interpreter ethics ☐ Interpretation s				
☐ Topics accepted by the interpreter certification org				
Please indicate which organization approved your CE	: :			
☐ CCHI ☐ NBCMI ☐ ATA ☐ OJD	☐ RID [DSHS	☐ OHA/OEI	
Training title:	Trai	ining date:		
Objectives of training/class:				
Number of hours:	Name of trainer:			
This CE fulfills which of the following requirements (c.	heck one):			
☐ Health care interpreter ethics ☐ Interpretation s	skills			
☐ Topics accepted by the interpreter certification org	ganizations			
Please indicate which organization approved your C E	<u>:</u> :			
☐ CCHI ☐ NBCMI ☐ ATA ☐ OJD	☐ RID [DSHS	☐ OHA/OEI	
Training title:	Trai	ining date:		
Objectives of training/class:				
Number of hours:	Name of trainer:			
This CE fulfills which of the following requirements (c.	heck one):			
☐ Health care interpreter ethics ☐ Interpretation s	skills			
☐ Topics accepted by the interpreter certification org	ganizations			
Please indicate which organization approved your CE	: :			
☐ CCHI ☐ NBCMI ☐ ATA ☐ OJD	☐ RID [DSHS	☐ OHA/OEI	
Total CE hours:				
Section 4: Code of ethics and signature				
This section is mandatory for all new and renewal ap	oplicants.			
Please read the following statements carefully and incident in the space provided.	dicate that you und	derstand and	accept by signing	
I have read the National Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice for Health Care Interpreters (from the National Council on Interpreting in Health Care), which are available on the Health Care Interpreters Program website. (See http://www.ncihc.org/ethics-and-standards-of-practice .) I understand that any action outside these guidelines is a violation of these ethics and standards of practice. I agree, to the best of my ability, to practice within these guidelines as a health care interpreter.				
Print name:				
Signature:		Date:		

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This application form must be signed and mailed with a \$25 fee to: (Waived)
OHA/Office of Equity and Inclusion

Attn: Health Care Interpreter Program 421 SW Oak St, Suite 750 Portland, OR 97204

Security statement: This form may contain your personal information. If you return the form by email, there is some risk it could be intercepted by someone you did not send it to. If you are not sure how to send a secure email, consider using regular mail or fax.

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